

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
DALLAS DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

RICKY DALE SORRELLS

NO. 3:18-CR-169-N

**PRELIMINARY ORDER OF FORFEITURE**

Before the court is the government's unopposed Motion for a Preliminary Order of Forfeiture. After consideration, the court determines the motion should be and is hereby granted.

The government notified the defendant that it would seek to forfeit the following:

- a. \$8,633.51 in United States currency seized from the account ending in x5221 on March 6, 2017;
- b. \$3,659.01 in United States currency seized from the account ending in x1665 on March 5, 2017;
- c. 2014 Maserati GHI, Vehicle Identification Number ZAM57RTAOE1112238, titled to Ricky Dale Sorrells;
- d. 2012 Porsche Cayenne, Vehicle Identification Number WP1AA2A23CLA0189, titled to Ricky Dale Sorrells;
- e. Assorted jewelry purchased from Windsor Auction House, Inc. on or about April 5, 2013 in the amount of \$49,662.93; and

f. Custom-made 14K gold bracelet set with 51 princess cut diamonds weighing 10.53 carats with a grade of H/SI1 purchased for \$16,400 on May 21, 2015.

(“the property”) upon the defendant’s conviction on Count One of the information. The defendant pled guilty to that offense and described in a factual resume how the property was involved in that offense.

Based on the defendant’s guilty plea and factual resume, the court finds the property is subject to forfeiture to the government pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 981(a)(1)(C) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c). It is therefore ordered that the property is forfeited to the government, subject to the provisions of 21 U.S.C. § 853(n).

It is further ordered that, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(g) and Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2, the United States Marshal’s Service shall seize the property and hold it in its secure custody and control pending a final order of forfeiture.


It is further ordered that, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1) and Fed. R. Crim. P. 32.2, the Attorney General shall publish notice of the forfeiture order for at least 30 consecutive days on an official government Internet site ([www.forfeiture.gov](http://www.forfeiture.gov)). The notice shall state the government’s intent to dispose of the property and state that any person, other than the defendant, having or claiming a legal interest in the property must file a petition with the court no later than 60 days after the first day of the publication and serve a copy on Asset Recovery Unit, U.S. Attorney’s Office, Northern District of Texas, 1100 Commerce Street, Third Floor, Dallas, Texas 75242. The petition shall be for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner’s alleged interest in the property; shall

be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury; and shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title, or interest in the property, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title, or interest in the property, and any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim and the relief sought. The government shall send, by means reasonably calculated to reach the person, written notice to any person who reasonably appears to be a potential claimant with standing to contest the forfeiture.

Upon adjudication of all third-party interests, this court will enter a final order of forfeiture addressing those interests.

**SO ORDERED.**

Signed June 1, 2018.

  
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**David C. Godbey**  
**UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE**